May 2, 2000

EXPRESS MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Chemical Land Holdings, Inc.
Two Tower Center Boulevard, Floor 10
East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816
Attn.: Mr. Clifford Firstenberg, Project Manager

Re: Diamond Alkali Superfund Site Operable Unit Two
Passaic River Study Area
Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
Creel/Angler Survey Work Plan Disapproval Meeting Request

Dear Mr. Firstenberg:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in receipt of your letter dated May 1, 2000 regarding paragraph 49(b) of the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC). As you know, this paragraph provides Chemical Land Holdings, Inc. (CLH) with the opportunity to have a conference with the EPA to discuss the disapproval of the Creel/Angler Survey Work Plan (refer to EPA's letter dated April 27, 2000). This paragraph also states that such a conference will be held within 10 days of Respondent's receipt of the comments, unless otherwise agreed by EPA.

As described in your letter of May 1, 2000, we had been working on a proposed meeting date to discuss the issues regarding the Work Plan and had tentatively selected May 23rd as a date that would work for all parties. We will therefore agree to meet with CLH on May 23, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at EPA's New York office on the 19th floor, room 1940, in lieu of requiring CLH to meet by May 8, 2000.

Sincerely yours,

Sharon Jaffess, Remedial Project Manager Emergency & Remedial Response Division

cc: Jonathan Berg, NJDEP
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